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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Coughlin et al.  
Serial No.: 09/447,644  
Filed: November 22, 1999  
For: CLEANING-IN-PLACE COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR USING  
THE SAME  
Group: 1751  
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020  
February 23, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please add the following claims prior to examining the application on the merits.

In the claims

23. (New) A method for cleaning and disinfecting processing equipment comprising the steps of:

- a) supplying a CIP composition of a first pH to the processing equipment; and
- b) supplying a CIP composition of a second pH to the processing equipment.

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